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SUBJECT McMahon Replaces Inman

BILL CHRISTIAN: As expected, President Reagan has picked CIA veteran John McMahon to succeed Admiral Bobby Inman as the spy organization's deputy director. In making the announcement today, White House spokesperson Larry Speakes said Reagan considers McMahon to be a, quote, solid professional, a career public servant who is respected throughout the intelligence community.

Sources, who asked not to be identified, said McMahon, who now holds the number three post in the agency, had been recommended by CIA Director William Casey, and screened by the President's aides.

McMahon has to be confirmed by the Senate, after hearings by the Senate Intelligence Committee.